

M A S S S C H E D U L E

Monday 4/12 7:30am Fr. Spellman

Acts 4:23-31
Psalm 2:1-9
John 3:1-8

Tuesday 4/13 7:30am Fr. Idomele

Acts 4:32-37
Psalm 93:1-2, 5
John 3:7-15

Wednesday 4/14 7:30am Fr. Spellman

Acts 5:17-26
Psalm 34:2, 9, 17-20
John 3:16-21

Thursday 4/15 7:30am Fr. Idomele

Acts 5:27-33
Psalm 34:2, 9, 17-20
John 3:31-36

Friday 4/16 7:30am Fr. Spellman

Acts 5:34-42
Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14
John 6:1-15

**Saturday 4/17 7:30am Fr. Spellman
4:30pm Fr. Spellman**

Acts 6:1-7
Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19
John 6:16-21

Sunday 4/18 Third Sunday of Easter

**8:00am Fr. Spellman
10:00am Fr. Idomele
12:30pm Fr. Spellman**

Acts 5:27-32, 40-41
Psalm 30:2, 4-6, 11-13
Revelation 5:11-14
John 21:1-19

CDs of Sunday Masses are available in the Church Office on Tuesday of each week.

In need of our prayers...

Ethel Allen, Genevieve Alexander, Susan Augustine, Arleen Bouscher, Iola Brown, Rebecca Braithwaite, McCoy Brown, Inez Cameron, Nicholas Dudley, Bettye Epps, Olivia Griffin, Amy Gosey, Henry Green, Margaret Guillory, Rudi Eagleson, Milton Johnson, Ellender Julian, Irene Johnson, David Little, Ruth Revis, Edna Valdry, James Smith, Eva Smith, Phyllis Troupe, Elsie Weston, West "Ted" Williams, Thad Wiltz, Donald Aubrey, Phyllis Pope, Jose Gonzalez, Ruben Palamaris, Elrena Dandy and Ruth Howard (Sisters of Tina Floyd), Ophelia Walker, Sheryl Cooper-McGinest, Naomi Sealey, Berenice Scott, Eva Anderson, Lucy Byrd, Zelandia Fero, Taylor Brown, Jordan Brown, David Lewis, Gerald Winn, Susan Hughes, Karla Martinez Ochaeta (niece of Carmen El-Khoury), Joshua Bolden, Warren Knox Jr., Edwin Thomas Sr., Barbara Ellis, Clyde Mitchell, Lloyd Moses, Oscar Antonio Romero, Thurman Johnson, Debra Stewart, Gary Elliott, Mario Toledo, Kelly Matthews, Angie Dupre, Shirley Miller, Emily Lewis, Basil Lewis, Mrs. Oliska Batiste, Tyrone Batiste, Santiago Zayas, Genevieve Tobin, Ina Lewis (aunt of Monica Lewis and Carlotta Keaton), Julio Mejia, Maria Lopez, Adrianna Zelaya, Norma Ellison, those seeking employment, and those struggling to make ends meet during these tough times.

Church Bulletin Board

Monday, April 12, 2010 7:00pm Bible Study
7:00pm Spanish Renew
7:00pm School Board

Tuesday, April 13, 2010 7:00pm Substance Abuse
7:00pm Spanish Intercessory
7:00pm Youth Group

Wednesday, April 14, 2010
6:30pm Bereavement Workshop
6:30pm MSC
7:00pm Mariano Ministry
7:00pm Spanish Baptism Class
7:00pm Spanish Prayer Group

Thursday, April 15, 2010 12:30pm Bible Study
7:00pm Confirmation
7:00pm Spanish Prayer Group

Friday, April 16, 2010 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal
7:00pm Bible Study
7:00pm Baptism Class

Saturday, April 17, 2010 8:00am Youth Career Workshop
9:30am Religious Formation
9:30am Bible study
12:00pm Girl Scouts
1:00pm Wedding

Sunday, April 18, 2010 9:00am Religious Formation
12:30pm Jr. KPC Meeting
2:00pm Awe Drumming

Pastor's Letter

During my first year as a priest, 2001 - 2002, the sexual abuse scandal in the United States started to hit the newspapers in Boston, and then many other eastern cities, and then it spread like wildfire throughout the entire United States. Then the tragic news came that the Archdiocese of Los Angeles also had many priests who had taken advantage of young people. And five years later, the Archdiocese settled the lawsuits in the amount of \$660 million! I can only imagine what that money could have been used for - such as to keep our schools open and to provide other ministerial services to the people of God.

In recent years many have speculated that this abuse was "an American problem" due to our country's perceived lack of morals and ethics. Well, as we all know, moral depravity is not limited to one country or culture. In recent weeks, news reports have spread about abuse clergy sexual abuse in Europe, Asia and Africa. And the question that was asked here in the United States is now being asked throughout the world: "Why was there not more done to stop these predator priests?" And then the second question is now being raised: "Who knew what and when did they know it?"

When we are faced with an issue that we know is wrong, each one of us must step up and take action against injustices and the abuse of those who are unable to defend themselves. This is a basic concept of our faith; I believe that Jesus would have done the same. And as we look into the past and raise questions about how things were handled, we must ask ourselves: "**Are we aware of what is happening in our families, and in our communities, especially as it affects our youngsters and children?**" Are we willing to raise the questions when we see something that is wrong, or do we just look the other way? This is a challenge facing all of us, from the hierarchy in the Church in Rome to the babysitter who takes care of children while their parents are out to dinner. As Archbishop Romero said, "**We must be a voice for the voiceless!**"

Here at Holy Name of Jesus Church and School we have implemented programs to help parents, teachers, and other responsible adults to recognize the signs of possible abuse that may be taking place in a child's life. And we have offered presentations for our children on the subject of "good touch - bad touch" so that they know what is right and what is wrong. And we have our parish and school "Safeguard the Children" committee that meets to address the safety of our children, as we continue to recognize these valuable gifts from God.

So, if we see something happening that you know is contrary to the will of God, or if we hear a child speak of something wrong that is happening in their home, school, or church, the Gospel demands that we not "look the other way" but that we seek the truth - and then take appropriate actions. For as Jesus tells us, "**The Truth will set you free!**"

May the Lord continue to bless us always and in all ways, *Father Paul*

Holy Name of Jesus School News! Coming Soon...

HNOJ School's "Evening of Music"

When: May 20, 2010 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Where: HNOJ Church, 2190 W. 31st Street,
Los Angeles, CA 90018
Price: \$10
Featuring: HNOJ Students

This is the one event you don't want to miss. Call the school at 323-731-2255 for more information!

Child Safety Month

During the month of April the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is celebrating "Keep Kids Safe". We at Holy Name of Jesus Church and School are committed to creating a safe environment for all God's children by having "Protecting God's Children" Virtus Adult Awareness Sessions, providing "Good-Touch Bad-Touch," teaching sessions, "Teaching Touching Safety" Programs for Children, Virtus Recertification "Keeping the Promise Alive" and Safeguard the Children Committees. We have policies in place that are designed to protect our children. During this month we are asking that you help us enhance our existing programs. If you have not taken the Virtues Training classes please contact Catherine Brown at 323 734-8888 x2.

Things Parents should know.

Do you know the route your child uses to get home from school? Do you know the name and number of your child's friends? Are you monitoring their Facebook, MySpace and Twitter accounts. Do you have passwords on your computers at home? How many hours does your child spend on the internet and or playing games? Do you monitor their text messaging?

Did You Know?

Five Steps to Safer Environments

The (arch) diocese mandates that all people who work with children and youth in our parishes and schools must undergo child abuse prevention training through the VIRTUS program. The training details five steps to prevent child sexual abuse: Know the warning signs of an inappropriate relationship with a child.

1. Know the warning signs!
2. Control access to children by carefully selecting the adults who work with children and youth.
3. Monitor all programs for the safety of children and youth.
4. Be aware of and sensitive to what is going on in the lives of children.
5. Communicate concerns to the appropriate person in authority.

Source: www.virtusonline.org/virtus



What is the Census?

When we all answer the Census, our needs are heard.

The U.S. Census counts every resident in the United States, and is required by the Constitution to take place every 10 years.

The 2010 Census will help communities receive more than \$400 billion in federal funds each year for things like:

- Hospitals
- Job training centers
- Schools
- Senior centers
- Bridges, tunnels and other-public works projects
- Emergency services

The data collected by the census also help determine the number of seats your state has in the U.S. House of Representatives.

We can't move forward until you mail it back.

In March of 2010, census forms will be delivered to every residence in the United States and Puerto Rico. When you receive yours, just answer the 10 short questions and then mail the form back in the postage-paid envelope provided.

If you don't mail the form back, you may receive a visit from a census taker, who will ask you the questions from the form. The majority of the country will receive English-only materials.

Households in areas with high concentrations of Spanish-speaking residents may receive a bilingual (English/Spanish) form. Any personal data you provide is protected under federal law.

Men's Annual Retreat –First Call

Sign-up for our annual parish Men's Retreat at Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center on April 16, 2010. All Men of the Parish are invited. Call now; don't miss this chance for spiritual renewal with your fellow brothers in Christ. Call Clyde Sparrow now to make your reservation – (323) 770-4708 or (213) 392-1916.

DID YOU KNOW?**2010 'Working Together to Prevent Child Abuse'
brochure available now**

Each year, every parish in the Archdiocese receives copies of "Working Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse: Keeping Ministerial Relationships Healthy and Holy." Published in English and Spanish, the brochure is a helpful guide to the sexual abuse prevention policies, programs and resources that have been developed by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Please look for the brochure in the parish vestibule or office. Please read it and keep it some place for easy reference. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

**SHARMAINE HAYLOCK, CHAIRPERSON
HOLY NAME CHURCH SAFEGUARD
THE CHILDREN COMMITTEE**

Attention Parishioners!!!

Both parking lots will be closed from 12 midnight May 21 till 12 midnight May 22 due to re-stripping of the grounds. No cars will be able to park in the parking lot on that day. Sorry for the inconvenience.

7th Annual Sock Drive

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul invites you to participate in our annual sock drive after each mass on Saturday and Sunday, April 17-18 and April 24-25. Please place donations of new or like new socks in the containers provided at each entrance to the church.

Please reach out to our homeless brothers and sisters through this simple act of kindness. Your generosity will enable countless men, women and children to maintain their dignity and feel welcome in our Christian community of believers.

Holy Name of Jesus Church would like to thank all those who made donations for Easter Flowers in memory of a loved one: Amanda Burgos, Mrs. Lawrence, Becky Rosales, Rachel, Olivia and Anastasia, Lorna Vilchez, Verna Lipscomb, Mirian Palacios, Maria Zeledon, Humberta Benitez, Monica Lewis, Carmen Tatenco, Jenny Dudley, and the Morning Star Choir.

Revlon Walk

On May 8, 2010 Holy Name Youth Ministry will participate in the Revlon run/walk for women. Come and join us in supporting a great event. Our Team is #186. For more information, call Norma Mitchell (323)356-9922 or e-mail norma426@hotmail.com.

Circle V Ranch Camp

St. Vincent de Paul Society encourages boys and girls age 7-13 to spend a week at camp in the Santa Barbara Mountains near Lake Cachuma. For teens age 15-17 there is a Counselor in Leadership Training program (CILT) which provides a week of leadership skills while assisting a staff member and enjoying camp.

Call Velma Ottley at (323) 732-2201 for further information and an application.

Stewardship Report***Stewardship: A Definition from Scripture***

Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.

-Matthew 10:8

Current Year:

Easter, 2010 = \$ 16,460.00

Two Previous Years:

Easter, 2009 = \$ 17,075.50

Easter, 2008 = \$ 16,774.19

Thank you for your generosity!

The "What makes a good Dad" survey was a huge success! Now tell us "What makes a good Mom".

Brothers and Sisters of all ages, you are invited to participate in a survey that we pray will make a huge difference in the lives of men, children, and families throughout our community.

Tell us what makes a good Mom. That's right, "What makes a good Mom?" Tell us in your own words.

Fill out the "What makes a good Mom" form located on the bulletin table at the church entrance.

Drop your responses in the "What makes a good Mom" box.

We will announce selected responses at a date to be announced.

Your participation will help us to better serve our families in Christ, so please fill out the "What makes a good Mom" form today or fill it out and bring it back next Sunday. "Moms Survey" is sponsored by Choosewell 1st Ministries. For more information, contact Holy Name of Jesus office 323-734-8888 ext.1.